

USDA-NRCS-MINNESOTA EQIP APPLICATION SCORING WORKSHEET

National Priority Scoring for _____ Pipestone _____ County

(Complete individual factor parts only if cost-shared practices are to be installed)

APPLICANT _____ APPLICATION # _____ FARM # _____ TRACT #(s) _____ DATE _____

FACTOR A1 - SHEET AND RILL and/or WIND EROSION CONTROL on any land use

Weighted tons soil/ac./yr. to be saved = _____

>0-<3 ☐ 1 point

3-5 ☐ 3 points

>5 ☐ 6 points

☐ 1 point

1 Additional Point if soil erosion is reduced from above "T"
to "T" or below on all acres

Total A1 Points (Maximum 7)

FACTOR A2-CLASSIC OR EPHEMERAL GULLY CONTROL on any land use

Structural practice to control gullies 362, 410; 412; 638, 402* ☐ 6 points

*installed to control gully erosion

A2 Points (Maximum 6)

FACTOR B1-WATER RESOURCE PROTECTION PRACTICES

Practice 351; 391; 393; 590; 725; 472(in riparian areas) ☐ 6 points

OR Practice 332; 386; 449; 595; 580; 362*; 558*, 709*, 752 ☐ 4 points

*installed to improve water quality but not part of a complete runoff control system

B1 Points (Maximum 6)

FACTOR B2- WASTEWATER AND RUNOFF CONTROL/CNMP

Either SUBFACTOR 1. FEEDLOT RUNOFF CONTROL (CHECK ONLY ONE BOX IF APPLICABLE)

FLEVAL Rating See Instructions

1-10 ☐ 1 Points

11-25 ☐ 2 Points

26-49 ☐ 4 Points

>49 ☐ 6 Points

Or SUBFACTOR 2. GROUNDWATER PROTECTION See Instructions ☐ 6 points

Or SUBFACTOR 3. SEASONAL LANDSPREADING See Instructions ☐ 3 points

Or SUBFACTOR 4. ANIMAL MORTALITY FACILITY; SILAGE LEACHATE ABATEMENT SYSTEM; OR
MILKHOUSE WASTEWATER SYSTEM - as a single practice See Instructions ☐ 4 points

1 Additional point if subfactor 4 is part of a waste system with other subfactors ☐ 1 point

Total B2 Points (Maximum 7)

FACTOR C- HABITAT IMPROVEMENT

Practice 395; 643; 645; 647; 657; 402(for wildlife) ☐ 6 points

1 additional point if practice benefits a threatened or endangered species . ☐ 1 point

See instructions.

Total C Points (Maximum 7)

FACTOR D AIR QUALITY

Practice is specifically installed to benefit air quality. See Instructions ☐ 6 points

OR Practice installed to benefit air quality as a secondary purpose. ☐ 1 point

See instructions

D Points (Maximum 6)

FACTOR E- SENSITIVE WATERBODIES

Sensitive water body: Rock River, Pipestone Creek, Split Rock Creek ☐

1 point

Requested practice identified in a plan ☐ 1 point

See instructions.

E Points (Maximum 2)

FACTOR F-DISTANCE

Distance from applicable practice or field edge to a receiving water. CHECK ONE BOX ONLY.

Factors A1, A2, B1, B2 ☐ <100' ☐ 100 to 500' ☐ 501 to 1000' ☐ 1001 to 2000'

or ☐ 4pts ☐ 3pts ☐ 2pts ☐ 1 pts

Factors C, G, H ☐ 3pts ☐ 2pts ☐ 1pts ☐ 0pts.

F Points (Maximum 4)

NATIONAL PRIORITY SCORE

| | Points | Local Priority | Local Total | Area Priority | Area Total |
|---|--------|-------------------|----------------|------------------|---------------|
| Factor A1. Erosion Control | _____ | <u>5</u> | _____ | _____ | _____ |
| Factor A2. Gully Control | _____ | <u>10</u> | _____ | _____ | _____ |
| Factor B1. Water Resource Protection | _____ | <u>4</u> | _____ | _____ | _____ |
| Factor B2. Wastewater/runoff/CNMP | _____ | <u>7</u> | _____ | _____ | _____ |
| Factor C. Wildlife Habitat | _____ | <u>5</u> | _____ | _____ | _____ |
| Factor D. Air Quality | _____ | <u>1</u> | _____ | _____ | _____ |
| Factor E. Impaired Water Body | _____ | <u>4</u> | _____ | _____ | _____ |
| Factor F. Distance | _____ | <u>8</u> | _____ | _____ | _____ |
| Total of National Priorities(must exceed 0) | _____ | _____ | _____ | _____ | _____ |

FACTOR G- PRESCRIBED GRAZING SYSTEM (move based on plant growth stage)

Practice 528A or 528A1

☐ 6 points

G Points (Maximum 6)

FACTOR H-FOREST MANAGEMENT

Practice: 655, 666, 490, 612

☐ 6 points

Total H Points (Maximum 6)

FACTOR I-ADDITIONAL LOCAL OR AREA CONCERN

6 pts. Enter concern and appropriate practices. See instructions.

☐ 6 points

All HEL Fields will receive 6 points for practices that address erosion concerns.

I Points (Maximum 6)

FACTOR J-COST EFFECTIVENESS

Practices are a cost-effective solution for the primary concern

☐ 1 point

J Points (Maximum1)

SCORE

| | Points | Local Priority | Local Total | Area Priority | Area Total |
|---------------------------------------|--------|-------------------|----------------|------------------|---------------|
| Total from National Priorities(above) | _____ | | _____ | | _____ |
| Factor G. Grazing System | _____ | <u>5</u> | _____ | _____ | _____ |
| Factor H. Forest Management | _____ | <u>1</u> | _____ | _____ | _____ |
| Factor I. Additional Local Concern | _____ | <u>6</u> | _____ | _____ | _____ |
| Factor J. Cost Effectiveness | _____ | <u>None</u> | _____ | _____ | _____ |
| Total Points | _____* | | =====!!!!!! | | ===== |

*Applications scoring less than 7 total base points (points before multiplying by the Priority weight) will be considered a low priority application and be ineligible for funding at this time.